Lie Tests Threatened to Find Leak on JFK, Woman

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Washington — Staff members of the Senate Intelligence Committee have been threatened with lie detector tests to determine who leaked a report that linked the late President John F. Kennedy to a woman friend of the recently slain Chicago Mafia chief Sam "Momo" Giancana.

A committee insider said that if the source of the report is not uncovered by statements, which the staff is being asked to sign declaring they did not leak the information, the committee will "take up other measures right away."

It was learned that at a recent committee meeting it was informally agreed that examination by polygraph, or lie detector, might be required.

The Scripps-Howard News Service reported in mid-November that FBI documents showed Kennedy met the woman, known then as Judith Campbell, in several places around the nation in 1961 and 1962. The story said that calls she placed to Kennedy's private telephone in the White House were made from Giancana's Chicago home.

Giancana, who was found slain in that home earlier this year, was one of the racketeers the Central
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story about Kennedy, but the committee was enraged that it had been published. At least one committee staff member contended the story had to have resulted from a committee leak.

Scripps-Howard reporters Dan Thomasson and Tim Wyngaard have refused to reveal the source of their story.

The move to make the committee staff take polygraph tests will apparently be subject to a formal committee vote.

The Scripps-Howard story said that the committee questioned Campbell, who now lives in California and uses another name, to determine if Kennedy might have learned from her about the CIA-hoodlum connection.

The committee report on assassination attempts against foreign leaders gave no details about Campbell nor mentioned her by name.

The Scripps-Howard story said the late J. Edgar Hoover, who was FBI director at the time of the alleged Kennedy-Campbell meetings, was concerned about Campbell's alleged connections to the Mafia because the meetings came at the same time that Kennedy and his brother, Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy, said they were launching an attack on organized crime.